

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF LOUISE MAY ALCOTT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO MADRID, SPAIN
AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of fifteen (15) Louise May Alcott School students in an educational tour to Madrid, Spain from May 15th – May 24th, 2006 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

USER: Louise May Alcott
2625 North Orchard
Chicago, IL 60614
773-534-4950
Elena Turczeniuk and Carolyn Maragh

PROGRAM: Royal Madrid Tour

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: Swbat experience life as a native by using the target language learned in class throughout the academic year and by participating in the local culture. (SG28.A.1A) Recognize basic language patterns when speaking to native language speakers (SG28.A.1B) Respond appropriately to simple commands in the target language by native language speakers (28.B.1A) Respond to and ask simple questions with prompts (SG28.B.1B) Imitate pronunciation, intonation, and inflection including sounds unique to the target language. (SG29.A.1) Use common forms of courtesy, greetings, and leave – takings appropriate to the time of day and relationship. (SG29.C.1A) Identify main characters, settings and events from Miguel De Cervantes' Don Quixote de la Mancha. (SG29.D1) Recognize important people and events in history Madrid (SG30.A.1D) Use target language and vocabulary while participating in physical activities (e.g. Flamenco Dancing).

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by EF Educational Tours, 1-800-665-5364.

COST: The cost per pupil is \$2,346.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, etc. The costs will be paid by the students.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults. Traveling with the students will be Elena Turczeniuk (teacher), Carolyn Maragh (teacher), Mona Shaikh (parent volunteer), Dusan Menicanin (parent volunteer), and Mrs. Lind (parent volunteer).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent/release forms for each student are on file at Alcott School.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This action was approved by the LSC for Louisa May Alcott School on December 13, 2005.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to any agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – Any agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one-year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel